FISCAL NOTE

SB 3408 - HB 3606

February 27, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI), at the request of local law enforcement, to conduct surveillance operations on public K-12 school grounds or within a five-mile radius of the school and to turn over the results of such investigation to the requesting law enforcement agency.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,065,500/One-Time \$1,813,600/Recurring

Decrease Local Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- In the absence of relevant data, it is difficult to determine the number of surveillance operations that will be requested by local law enforcement agencies.
- According to the TBI, a minimum of four special agents would be required to conduct an appropriate surveillance of any school property. According to the Bureau, in order to provide statewide coverage, a team of four special agents assigned to each of the four regional offices would be necessary.
- One-time expenditures of \$1,065,520 include radios and installation, cameras, handguns, office furniture, computers, telephones, training and other related supplies and equipment for sixteen new positions.
- Recurring expenditures of \$1,813,638 include salaries of \$791,104 (\$49,444 x 16) and benefits of \$271,424 (\$16,964 x 16) plus \$751,110 in travel, printing, communications, uniforms, vehicles and vehicle maintenance, office rental and insurance, supplies and other related operating expenses.
- Local law enforcement agencies may have a decrease in expenditures due to the TBI providing surveillance and investigative assistance on school property. Such decrease is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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